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Subject: Harold Urey

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FILE DESCRIPTION

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SUBJECT HAROLD Urey

FILE NO. 117-134

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Serial	Date	Description (Type of communication, to, from)	No. of Pages		Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited)
			Actual	Released	
1A	7/23/54	PHOTOS w/ 1A ENVELOPES	13	13	
1	9/18/53	LETTER HQ TO LEGAT	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
2	8/18/53	LETTER LEGAT TO AMBASSADOR	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
3	8/18/53	(ENCL. IS SERIAL 2) LETTER LEGAT TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-37
4	9/17/53	LETTER HQ TO CG w/1copy	1/1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
5	9/22/53	CG AIRTEL TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-40X
6	9/16/53	AEC INTERNAL LETTER	3	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
7	9/21/53	AEC LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
8	10/9/53	HQ LETTER TO CG	4	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
9	10/15/53	CG REPORT TO HQ	9	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
10	10/15/53	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
11	10/19/53	AEC LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315

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12	10/26/53	HQ LETTER TO CG w/1 copy	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
13	11/17/53	CG REPORT TO HQ	5	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
14	11/17/53	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
15	11/13/53	AEC LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
16	11/12/53	HQ LETTER TO CG w/1 copy	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
17	(Block here) 11/19/53	CIA REPORT (ENCL: TO 18)	3	0	Referred To C.I.A.
18	11/18/53	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315 - 41
19	11/20/53	INFO LETTER TO HQ	5	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
20	11/27/53	CG LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
21	12/18/53	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
22	12/23/53	CG REPORT TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
23	12/23/53	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315

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24	12/22/53	WFO LETTER TO HQ w/copy	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
25	12/28/53	HQ LETTER TO CG w/copy	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-56
26	12/3/53	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
27	12/8/53	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
28	12/9/53	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
29	12/24/53	WFO REPORT TO HQ	8	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
30	12/29/53	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
31	11/7/54	HQ LETTER TO WFO	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
32	11/12/54	NEWS ARTICLE	1	1	
33	11/14/54	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
34	11/14/54	CG REPORT TO HQ w/copy	6/6	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
35	12/29/53	STATE DEPT CABLE	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315

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36	1/20/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
37	1/28/54	HQ LETTER TO LEGAT	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
38	1/28/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
39	2/3/54	WFO REPORT TO HQ	6	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
40	2/12/54	HQ LETTER TO WFO	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
41	2/23/54	KN REPORT TO CG	5	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
42	2/15/54	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	3	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
43	3/30/54	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ w/1 copy	2/2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
44	4/14/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	4	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
45	4/13/54	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	2/2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
46	4/12/54	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
47	5/6/54	SA TO SAC MEMO w/ATTACH.	5	0	SEE HQ # 116-1788-72

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48	5/6/54	COPY OF SERIA 47	1	0	SEE CG #116-1788-72
49	5/6/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
50	5/17/54	SA MEMO TO FILE	1	1	
51	5/24/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
52	5/24/54	HQ LETTER TO LEGAT	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
53	6/28/54	HQ AIR-TEL TO CG W/COPY	1/1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
54	6/30/54	CG AIR-TEL TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
55	7/2/54	CG AIR-TEL TO HQ	4	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-100
56	7/8/54	WFO AIR-TEL TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
57	7/13/54	WFO AIR-TEL TO HQ W/COPY	2/2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
58	7/14/54	CG REPORT TO HQ	2/1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
59	7/14/54	CG LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315

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60	7/12/54	BS AIR-TEL TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
61	7/13/54	NY AIR-TEL TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
62	7/16/54	NY TELETYPE TO CG, HQ, WFO + BS	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-107
63	7/20/54	WFO AIR-TEL TO HQ	2	2	SEE HQ # 116-18315
64	7/20/54	CG AIRTEL TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
65	7/16/54	HQ LETTER TO CIA	4	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
66	7/19/54	HQ LETTER TO CIA	3	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-104
67	7/19/54	HQ AIR-TEL TO CG w/copy	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-97
68	7/20/54	BS AIR-TEL TO HQ	11	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
69	7/23/54	HQ LETTER TO CIA	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
70	7/12/54	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
71	7/23/54	ROUTING SLIP HQ TO CG	1	1	

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72	7/26/54	HQ LETTER TO CIA	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
73	7/28/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	3	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
74	8/6/54	NY LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
75	9/9/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
76	9/9/54	HQ LETTER TO AG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
77	9/20/54	SA TO SAC - THIRD PARTY	1	1	
78	9/30/54	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-127
79	10/8/54	HQ CABLE TO LEGAT	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
80	10/11/54	HQ LETTER TO CIA	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-127
81	9/30/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
82	10/14/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
83	10/18/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315

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84	10/11/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	8	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
85	10/12/54	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
86	3/10/53	RE: 3rd party WFO REPORT TO HQ	1	1	
87	2/25/53	WFO REPORT TO HQ	10	0	Referred
88	2/24/53	RE: 3rd Party LA REPORT TO HQ	4	4	
89	2/18/53	RE: 3rd Party SD REPORT TO HQ	6	6	
90	2/18/53	RE: 3rd party NK REPORT TO HQ	1	1	
91	2/6/53	RE: 3rd party S.L. REPORT TO HQ	1	1	
92	8/8/47	WFO REPORT TO HQ	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
93	7/24/47	WFO REPORT TO HQ	4	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
94	7/23/47	BA REPORT TO HQ	4	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
95	7/10/47	BU REPORT TO HQ	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME

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96	7/18/47	SD REPORT TO HQ	5	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
97	7/18/47	SE REPORT TO HQ	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
98	7/17/47	SE REPORT TO HQ	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
99	7/17/47	LA REPORT TO HQ	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
100	11/3/54	HQ LETTER TO CG W/COPI	2	2	SEE HQ # 116-18315
101	11/13/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315-24
102	11/17/54	HQ LETTER TO CG	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
103	11/23/54	NEWS ARTICLE	1	1	
104	11/23/54	NEWS ARTICLE	1	1	
105	11/2/54	CIA REPORT	3	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
106	11/18/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
107	11/2/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315

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108	11/19/54	CG REPORT TO HQ	19	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
109	11/23/54	HQ TELETYPE TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
110	11/29/54	HQ AIR-TEL TO CG	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
111	12/1/54	CG AIRTEL TO HQ-WFO	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
112	1/6/55	SERIALIZATION (FD-5) SKIPPED IN	1	1	
113	11/29/54	HQ LETTER TO CIA	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
114	12/6/54	BS TELETYPE TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
115	12/7/54	WFO LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
116	12/21/54	CG REPORT TO HQ	2	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
117	11/30/54	CIA REPORT (ENCL. TO 118)	4	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
118	11/17/54	CIA LETTER TO HQ	1	0	SEE HQ # 116-18315
119	2/14/55	CG AIRTEL TO HQ + NY	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME

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120	3/14/55	HQ LETTER TO CG	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
121	3/18/55	SA MEMO TO SAC	6	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
122	3/21/55	SA MEMO TO SAC	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
123	3/22/55	SA MEMO TO SAC	4	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
124	5/24/55	CG REPORT TO HQ	19	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
125	6/7/55	SA TO SAC MEMO	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
126	6/20/55	HQ TO CG	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
127	5/23/55	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
128	5/23/55	COPY OF SERIAL 127	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
129	6/20/55	HQ LETTER TO LEGAT w/COPY	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
130	6/6/55	SA MEMO TO SAC	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
131	6/23/55	SA LETTER TO SAC	5	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME

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132	1/4/56	CG REPORT TO HQ	4	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
133	5/24/56	WFO LETTER TO HQ	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
134	5/21/56	CG REPORT TO HQ	5	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
135	7/11/56	CG REPORT TO HQ	9	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
136	5/28/57	NY LETTER TO HQ	13	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
137	11/29/57	CG AIRTEL TO HQ	4	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
138	10/9/58	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
139	11/26/58	KX LETTER TO HQ	1	0	OUTSIDE TIME FRAME
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HAROLD CLAYTON UREY
April 1954

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FRIEDA DAIM UREY
May 1954

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Description: photo of

Gertrude Vray Baranger

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Born: September 18, 1927,
Baltimore, Md.

Height: 5'4 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Brown

Married: September 26, 1951,
Ithaca, New York

Husband: MICHEL BARANGER

Father: HAROLD CLAYTON UREY

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LARINGER, CHRISTOPHER A.
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John C. Vrey

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Englewood
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UREY, JOHN CLAYTON
MAY 1952

Born: August 30, 1939,
Englewood, N.J.

Height: 5'1"

Hair: Brown

Eyes: Brown

Father: HAROLD CLAYTON UREY

Mother: FRIEDA D. UREY

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Jacques Bergier



**MCCARTHY TOP
U. S. S. R. AGENT,
SAYS DR. UREY**

Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 11 (AP)—Dr. Harold C. Urey, atomic scientist, tonight said "I don't believe the U. S. S. R. has a better agent in this country than Sen. McCarthy."

The scientist said he had been told that the investigation conducted by Sen. McCarthy [R., Wis.] had "ruined morale" among scientific personnel at the army radar and communications research center at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Urey made the remarks in reply to questions at a lecture sponsored by the Schenectady Freedom forum. In reply to questions from reporters, Urey expressed the opinion that no other country was as safe as the United States, as far as loyalty of its citizens was concerned. He is associated with the Institute of nuclear studies at the University of Chicago.

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HAROLD CLAYTON UREY, FOREIGN TRAVEL

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Mr. C. W. Bates, FBI Liaison, was advised this date that information had been received that Dr. Urey intended to travel to Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Netherlands, Belgium, France, England, Switzerland and Italy on a 2½ months' trip starting July 21, 1954. The purpose of the travel was given as pleasure and to attend a scientific meeting in Rome.

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On June 7, 1954, SE EVERETT M. DUCHARME received from [REDACTED] a carbon copy of a report of one of his operatives known to this office as [REDACTED] (b)(7)(D)

Informant's report is substantially as follows:

On May 25, 1954, the Frontier Forum presented Dr. HAROLD C. UREY in a lecture at the Wilshire Ebell Theater in Los Angeles. Attendance was approximately 450 to 500, of whom informant recognized SEN MARGOLIS, SOL MONROY, and a Mr. KAY KELLEHER. In Dr. UREY's speech he spoke against Russia and in favor of setting up a very strong defense against Russia and China. It was informant's impression that those in the auditorium were surprised at the approach of Dr. UREY to the situation. About a quarter of the way through his speech KELLEHER, whom informant knows as being active in the IPP, walked out, followed presently by SEN MARGOLIS and by SOL MONROY.

Informant makes considerable note of the fact that comment among members of the IPP in Los Angeles indicates considerable surprise that Dr. UREY had taken such a strong stand against Russia, and JACK BERMAN had noted in particular that it had been generally believed that UREY would call for conciliation and cooperation with Russia.

A copy of the program for the above affair is in the possession of [REDACTED] (b)(7)(D)

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TITLE ROGER RANDALL REVELLE - SN - 25705 - SF aka Roger Randall Dougan Revelle			CHARACTER OF CASE 121-4

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE: Report of SA LAWRENCE T. GURLEY dated February 25, 1953 at Washington, D.C.

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

SA ROBERT J. MCKERNAN was advised that the files of the Central Intelligence Agency contain no pertinent identifiable security information on the applicant.

SE G. GILMORE SNOWDEN was advised that the Passport Office, Department of State, has been unable to locate applicant's file.

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TITLE ROGER RANDALL REVELLE - SW - 25705 - SF	CHARACTER OF CASE AEA-A
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SYNOPSIS <u>REFERENCE</u>	
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Bureau letter to San Diego dated January 19, 1953.
 Washington Field air tels to Los Angeles dated January 27, and February 18, 1953.
 Report of SA JOHN J. SCHMITZ at Los Angeles, dated July 17, 1947.

DETAILS:

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Investigation at the University of California at Los Angeles was conducted by SA LEONARD AUGUSTON; at Claremont by SA GILBERT B. STUCKEY.

EDUCATION

Claremont Colleges
Claremont, California

Mrs. URITH ABBOTT, Registrar, Claremont Graduate School, advised that Claremont College is one of several colleges including Pomona College which are associated and known collectively as Claremont Associated Colleges, Claremont, California. Mrs. ABBOTT stated that the enrollment records of these colleges are kept together under her jurisdiction. She stated that records for the period 1929 and 1930 were incomplete and could supply no additional information other than that furnished in referenced report.

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REFERENCES

ROLLIN P. ECKIS, Chief Geologist, Richfield Oil Company, 555 South Flower Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that he has been associated with the applicant on a close social basis since both were students together at Pomona College in 1925. Since that time ECKIS stated he has associated closely with the applicant. ECKIS further stated that during 1948 when a group of scientists at the University of California objected to signing a loyalty oath, the applicant was among these. ECKIS added that concerning this matter he has had extensive discussions with the applicant who expressed to him the reason for his failure to sign the loyalty oath was purely academic and the applicant stated further to him that he (applicant) would have no sympathy with any nonsigners who had any subversive leanings. It was ECKIS' opinion that the applicant later signed such an oath.

ECKIS stated that since 1930 the applicant has resided in La Jolla, California, but on occasion would visit the Los Angeles area to lecture as a visiting lecturer at the University of California at Los Angeles. During such visits, ECKIS stated the applicant would generally spend evenings with his father in Pasadena or return to La Jolla the same day. ECKIS further stated that the applicant and his father WILLIAM ROGER REVELLE enjoyed a normal father - son relationship.

ECKIS stated that he considered the applicant to be of unquestionably character, associates, and loyalty, and upon this basis would recommend him highly for any position of trust and confidence.

MISCELLANEOUS

Miss JEANNE WALL, Secretary, Business Office, University of California at Los Angeles, advised that she knows the applicant to have been an occasional lecturer for the University. She stated that the applicant is the type of individual who likes to argue and was on the faculty opposition to the University of California Loyalty Oath in 1948 on the grounds of "academic" principals only. She stated that the applicant later signed the oath and she believes him to be of unquestionably character, associates, and loyalty, and would recommend him for a position of trust and confidence.

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GEORGE TAYLOR, Business Manager, University of California at Los Angeles, advised that he knows the applicant personally and has had many dealings with him in the past concerning United States Government contracts being handled by the University. TAYLOR stated that he knows the applicant to be dogmatic, domineering, and self-possessed but not disloyal in any respect. TAYLOR stated he knew the applicant to oppose the University of California at Los Angeles Loyalty Oath when it first came out and helped its opposition on the campus. TAYLOR stated that the applicant later signed the oath and was never dismissed for his failure to sign such an oath. TAYLOR also stated that the applicant's objections were purely academic and not connected with any disloyal group. TAYLOR further stated that he knew the applicant to be of unquestionable character, associates, and loyalty, and recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

T-1, on October 11, 1951, advised that the applicant's father WILLIAM ROGER REVELLE, was a member of the National Lawyer's Guild.

T-2, of known reliability, advised that the National Lawyer's Guild was formed in New York City in December, 1936, as the "legal arm" and "working Ally" of the Communist Party.

T-3, of known reliability, advised that the National Lawyer's Guild in Los Angeles County has followed the Communist Party line in Los Angeles since 1937.

T-3 and T-4, who are generally familiar with Communist Party activities in the Los Angeles area, advised they have no information concerning the applicant or his father and do not know of any subversive activity on their part.

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TITLE ROGER RANDALL DOUGAN REVELLE - SW - 25705 - SP			CHARACTER OF CASE ARA - A	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCES:

Bureau letter to San Diego dated January 19, 1953.

Washington Field airtel dated January 27, 1953.

DETAILS:

At San Diego, California:

EMPLOYMENT

Dr. R. D. RUSSELL, Chairman of the Scientific Planning Board and Senior Consultant, Geophysicist, Naval Electronics Laboratory, advised that he has known the applicant since 1925 both professionally and socially and that he regards him as a loyal citizen and a man of good character whom he would not hesitate to recommend for a position of trust.

Commander C. R. MOE, Senior Program Aid, Naval Electronics Laboratory, advised he has known REVELLE for twelve or fifteen years both professionally and socially and that he would not hesitate to recommend him for a position of trust stating that he believes him to be entirely loyal and of unquestioned integrity.

Commander E. A. TUCKER, Scientific Planning Board, Naval Electronics Laboratory, advised that he had no

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doubt of the applicant's loyalty. He stated he has known him for many years, from about 1945, and that they have been associated together on various classifications of work. TUCKER advised that they have had differences of opinion regarding the classification of material, but that TUCKER's opinion is that REVELLE feels that scientific progress demands a freer exchange of information than security regulations sometimes permit, and therefore, applicant has a tendency to de-classify as much material as possible. TUCKER stated that the applicant was not particularly security conscious, and was inclined to take matters into his own hands if regulations were hindering him.

Dr. R. W. YOUNG, Major Consultant, Acoustics Naval Electronics Laboratory, advised he has known REVELLE since the last war, and that he believes him to be one hundred percent loyal, a brilliant scientist and a man of unquestioned honesty.

Dr. R. J. CHRISTENSEN, member of the scientific planning board, and head of the under-water research division, Naval Electronics Laboratory, stated that REVELLE had on occasion recommended lower classification of certain restricted data, but was of the opinion that this declassification was in the interest of scientific research and that there was no intention on the part of REVELLE to violate security regulations.

REFERENCES:

The interview with Dr. RICHARD DANA RUSSELL, listed as a reference in the applicant's Personnel Security Questionnaire, was outlined above.

SIBLEY SKELLEY, La Jolla Building and Loan Association, La Jolla, California, stated that in his opinion, the applicant was a poor business man, had no appreciation of the American economic system and possibly felt that the wealth should be shared by everyone, not having an appreciation for the value of a dollar. SKELLEY further stated that he understood REVELLE was against the signing of a Loyalty oath as required by the University of California, but this was on the grounds that the signing of a non-communist affidavit or oath was of no value since an ardent communist would

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sign it anyhow and was an encroachment on his academic freedom. In spite of these attitudes, SELLEW stated he had absolutely no doubts as to REVELLE's loyalty, and would recommend him for a position of trust. He also stated that he regarded the applicant as a brilliant scientist.

Neighborhood:

Mrs. MARLTON BURNHAM, 7320 Vista Del Mar, La Jolla, California, advised she had lived next door to the applicant since approximately 1948, and that she considered him to be a loyal American citizen and a man of fine character. Mrs. BURNHAM stated that she understood that REVELLE had been opposed to the loyalty oath required by the University of California, but stated this in no way effected her opinion of his loyalty to this country. Mrs. BURNHAM stated she had known the applicant's wife and family for many years and regarded them all as fine people.

Mrs. ALICE SAVAGE, 7310 Vista Del Mar, La Jolla, California, advised that she had resided at that address for twenty-two years, and although she was not closely acquainted with the applicant or his family, believed them to be loyal American citizens and regarded the applicant as a good neighbor. She stated that their reputation in the neighborhood is above reproach.

Mrs. R. C. BULDOER, 7343 Vista Del Mar, advised the applicant was a good neighbor, and insofar as she knew, was a loyal citizen and man of good character.

Mrs. C. E. CLAPPER, 7550 Hillside Drive, La Jolla, California, advised she knew the applicant and his family when they resided at 7520 Hillside Drive and in her opinion, is a loyal American and she would not hesitate to recommend him for a position of trust. Mrs. CLAPPER stated there was no one else in the neighborhood who lived there when the applicant did.

Associates:

Captain BRUCE WESTON, San Diego Police Department, La Jolla Sub-Station, advised he has known the applicant for

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many years and regards him as a loyal citizen, but stated he does not feel he has "his feet on the ground" and is a "damned fool idealist". WESTON could furnish no specific information to elaborate on these comments, but to say that the applicant is not practical.

INGVAR W. HJERMSTAD, Acting Postmaster, La Jolla, California, advised he has known the applicant for many years and regards him as absolutely loyal to the United States, and a fine family man. HJERMSTAD stated he would not hesitate to recommend applicant for a position of trust and continued that he believes the applicant to be a fine scientist in his field of oceanography.

Mr. C. J. KELLONG, Manager of the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club, advised that the applicant was a distant relative by marriage, but that he seldom saw him and that they did not agree politically. He described the applicant as a "left wing dealer (new)", by which he stated he meant that the applicant favored more government ownership, control and management. He stated he regards the applicant as entirely loyal to the country, and although he is aware of the applicant's opposition to the loyalty oath required by the University of California, does not believe it effects his loyalty to the United States, but is based upon his personal conviction that such an oath is unnecessary.

Credit and Criminal Checks:

Lt. BRUCE W. WEATHERS, San Diego Police Department and Lt. BROOKS WHITNEY, San Diego Sheriff's Office, advised the files of their respective departments contained no record of the applicant or of his wife.

The records of the San Diego Merchant's Central Merchant's Credit Association, made available by Mrs. OLIVE ROBINSON, reflected that the applicant is employed as a director of Scripps Institute of Oceanography, his credit is satisfactory and the files of this agency contained no derogatory information.

Miscellaneous:

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Governmental Agency, which makes some personnel and security type investigations, advised that the San Diego Tribune-Sun on March 15, 1950, carried an article which stated that the applicant was one of eleven of the Scripps Faculty which had signed a statement opposing the non-communist oath decree by the University of California. The signers claimed that such an oath was contrary to the State Constitution, and that they were "whole-heartedly against Communism". They further contended that the special oath would not keep communists out since they would sign such an oath anyhow.

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Credit Association were checked by Special Employee THOMAS
P. DOUGHERTY, on February 10, 1953.

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TITLE ROGER RANDALL REVELLE - SW			CHARACTER OF CASE ARAA

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE: Washington Field airtel to Director and SAC, Norfolk dated 2/13/53.

DETAILS: AT PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

Captain W. H. DEAHY, Planning Officer, Norfolk Naval Shipyard, advised that applicant worked under his supervision for approximately two years 1948-49. He stated that he has been personally acquainted with the applicant since 1944 and that he would recommend him as to character, loyalty and associates.

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TITLE ROGER RANDALL REVELLE - SM - 25705 - SF			CHARACTER OF CASE AEA A

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
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REFERENCE: **Bulet to San Diego dated 1-19-53**

DETAILS: Personnel of the Federal Records Center, General Services Administration, St. Louis, Missouri, advised that no record of Navy Department civilian employment for **ROGER RANDALL REVELLE**, born March 7, 1909 at Seattle, Washington, could be located.

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Urey Tells Theory On First Life

By Carl Larsen

How did life begin?

In the opening chapters of the Book of Genesis, one widely accepted theory is presented. It is that on the third day of Creation, God brought forth life—first plants, then fishes, then land animals and finally man.

Harold C. Urey, University of Chicago atomic scientist, disagreed with this view Wednesday in a speech before 200 Chicago business leaders at the Standard Club.

"Life evolved through gradual chemical evolution," the Nobel Prize winner suggested.

He thus threw out the window a third concept, held by some scientists—that life always has existed somewhere and eventually came to the earth.

Cites Student's Work

"The question of how life began," Urey said, "is one of the most complicated subjects in all science." He suggested that man will never describe

exactly how life began, but he will be able to put together "bits and pieces."

As for the Biblical version, Urey said: "I just don't believe this is correct." And, he added, "there is no scientific evidence to support the idea that life has always existed."

Urey then cited, with charts, the work of one of his former students, Stanley L. Miller. The latter, Urey said, demonstrated that physical conditions on the ancient earth—billions of years ago—might have permitted the natural formation of the complex chemicals making up living things.

Life, Urey said, began over a long period. Its evolution, however, was accelerated when green plants came into existence to pour oxygen into the atmosphere.

Jocularly, Urey observed that he might be in bad company when he noted the Russian biochemist, A. I. Oparin,

was an author of the latest theory, which is gaining wide acceptance among scientists.

The Oparin theory suggests that the organic compounds

that serve as the basis of life were formed when the earth had an atmosphere of methane, ammonia, water and hydrogen.

Experiment Told

Miller, in his Midway laboratory, sought to find out whether Oparin was right. His answer: Yes. But first he duplicated in a glass apparatus the atmospheric conditions believed to exist some three billion years ago.

To get the evidence, Miller boiled water in a flask. An electric discharge then was fired into the mixture of steam and gaseous methane, ammonia and hydrogen. This produced amino acids—the so-called building stones of living protein.

Once life began—life in tiny, reproducing cells, that is—the chain of evolution was rather simple, Urey said. He noted cells in plants, animals and man react almost similarly to various chemicals. Man, he said, is but one simple step in the chain.



Harold C. Urey at Standard Club. (Sun-Times Photo)

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THREAT TO U. S. GRAVEST SINCE '76, UREY SAYS

Points to New Planes, Nuclear Weapons

The United States is in a more dangerous position than

it ever has been since Revolutionary days, Dr. Harold C. Urey, Nobel prize winner and professor of chemistry at the University of Chicago said last night.



He spoke at a dinner of the American Institute of Chemists, Chicago section, in the Furniture Club of America, 886 Lake Shore dr., where he received the organization's 1954 honor scroll.

"We are all appalled," said Urey, "by the dangers to us arising from the invention of nuclear weapons and the development of airplanes during this century. The developments in both fields, with no very obvious limitations, have given the people of this country a first class case of hysteria.

Sees "Implacable Enemy"

"I would not be honest if I did not say that I believe we as a nation are in a more dangerous position than we have ever been in since our Revolution. There is an implacable enemy to our way of life in the world today."

In his talk on "Scientists, Secrets, and Security," Urey said that the 19th century was the "golden age" for this country from the standpoint of relative freedom from external attack.

Today, however, he added, our isolated military position is gone and we fear attack across the Arctic ocean. Many persons, tho, he said, continue to talk as if "we were living in the happy days of 1900."

Doubts Serious Red Threat

Urey said he is convinced that the Communists in this country never will increase sufficiently to constitute a serious threat. On the other hand, he added, he does not feel the same assurance "about our fanatics of the right."

He said he learned from a British source that the Russians "seem to have discovered the cheap hydrogen bomb before we did." He urged American participation in an Atlantic union of western nations to form a super government for greater security.

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